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PATENT APPLICATION

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
SHINZO UCHIYAMA ET AL.) : Examiner: Timothy Howard Meeks
Application No.: 10/699,883) : Group Art Unit: 1762
Filed: November 4, 2003) :
For: SURFACE MODIFICATION)
METHOD : March 31, 2005

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT

Sir:

(a) Introductory Comments

In response to the Office Action dated February 15, 2005, kindly amend the subject application as follows: